# **SUN—Americorps Program Information Sheet**



**Geographic Area Served:** This statewide program is based in the following communities; Ashland, Grand Island, Lexington, Lincoln, Norfolk, Omaha, Pawnee City, and Schuyler

## **Program Mission/Purpose:**

SUN—AmeriCorps is a program of the

Community Services region of Lutheran Family

Services of Nebraska whose mission is to provide "quality human care services that build and strengthen individual, family, and community life." In the last three years SUN AmeriCorps has expanded on the Asset Based Community Development initiative to identify and address needs through direct services and community collaborations in order build strong neighborhoods and citizens. This is implemented through staff, key volunteers, AmeriCorps members and effective leadership.

### **Program Address:**

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Volunteer Opportunities Available: Mentoring at risk youth and refugee families.

**Number of AmeriCorps Members: 39** 

**Services Provided by AmeriCorps Members**: AmeriCorps members serve in a variety of programs including; matching mentors with youth, providing leadership in youth enrichment activities, leading family support groups, providing design and print information on service accessibility, immigration and refugee assistance, providing emergency housing, transportation, and advocate services to clients, offer family strengthening and life skills classes, and develop a strong volunteer base and network of community support for al AmeriCorps programs.

#### **Locations Members are in Service:**

4-County Mentoring, Pawnee City
Children's Services, Omaha
Graphic Design, Omaha
Heartland Refugee Resettlement, Lincoln and Omaha
Hope Harbor, Grand Island
Human Resources, Omaha
Immigration Legal Services, Grand Island and Omaha
Justice for Our Neighbors, Omaha
Maternal Health, Lexington
Nebraska Lutheran Outdoor Ministries--Camp Carol Joy Holling, Ashland
New American Center, Norfolk
Strong Urban Neighborhoods (SUN), Omaha
Welcome Center, Lexington

**Target Client/Beneficiary Population Served:** Beneficiaries are residents of the community where the programs are located and serve, at risk youth, and those who are marginalized in the community. In addition, the team serves significant numbers of new Americans, both immigrants and refugees.